



North Carolina HealthNet

2014 Profile

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Overview

- Administered by the Office of Rural Health and Community Care (ORHCC).
- Provides technical assistance and grants to support local efforts to improve access and quality of health care for uninsured adults.
- Connects safety net organizations (free clinics, public health departments, school-based health centers, rural health centers, community health centers and other not-for-profit clinics) providing free and low-cost health care services within the administrative infrastructure of Community Care of North Carolina (CCNC).
- Enrollees have a primary care medical home and access to prescription drugs, health screenings, wellness education, care coordination for chronic conditions, and other medical services.

Importance

- In North Carolina, approximately 1.5 million nonelderly people have no health insurance coverage. For uninsured adults, access to primary care, preventive services, specialty care, and prescription drugs is largely limited to the availability of donated "charity" care and safety net providers.
- NC HealthNet leverages the administrative infrastructure of CCNC and the resources of a broad array of partners in order to strengthen health care delivery systems, enhance quality and coordination of care, and contain unnecessary growth in healthcare expenditures.

Cost, Savings and Program Monitoring

- Expenditures were \$4,619,711 (\$45,290 federal and \$4,574,421 state). These funds covered \$146,045 for salaries and administration at 50% FFP and \$4,473,666 for 15 State supported grants.
- Connected more than 53,000 uninsured adults to a primary care medical home.*
- Provided care management to more than 21,000 individuals with chronic medical conditions.*
- Average annual cost per HealthNet enrollee is \$86. *
- The value of donated physician services is estimated at more than \$12 million annually. In addition, more than \$10 million per year in uncompensated Emergency Department and inpatient costs are potentially avoided as a result of the care management provided for HealthNet enrollees with chronic medical conditions.

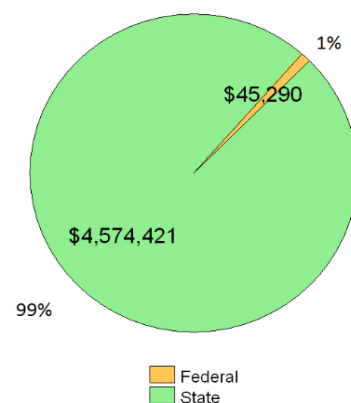
* In 2013, ORHCC reconfigured HealthNet funding to cover all 100 North Carolina counties and align reimbursement with performance data. This major restructuring resulted in grantees having fewer HealthNet dollars while providing requisite core services and tracking complex quality measures. Grantees are also collecting and reporting program data through automated processes whenever possible. Enrollment numbers between January and June 2014 were lower than expected, possibly as a result of grantees and partners adjusting to new program requirements or perhaps due to the most motivated individuals seeking coverage under the ACA.

Technical Assistance: supporting Safety net infrastructure in vulnerable communities:

IHCDS Team provided 815 hours of technical assistance in the form of meetings, webinars, conference calls, documents, and site visits for grantees, community stakeholders, and safety net providers such as public health departments, free clinics, rural health centers, hospitals, non-profit organizations, and local governments.

The HealthNet sites received 262 activities to an audience of 890 individuals representing 125 hours of technical assistance.

HealthNet Funding Sources (SFY 2013-2014)





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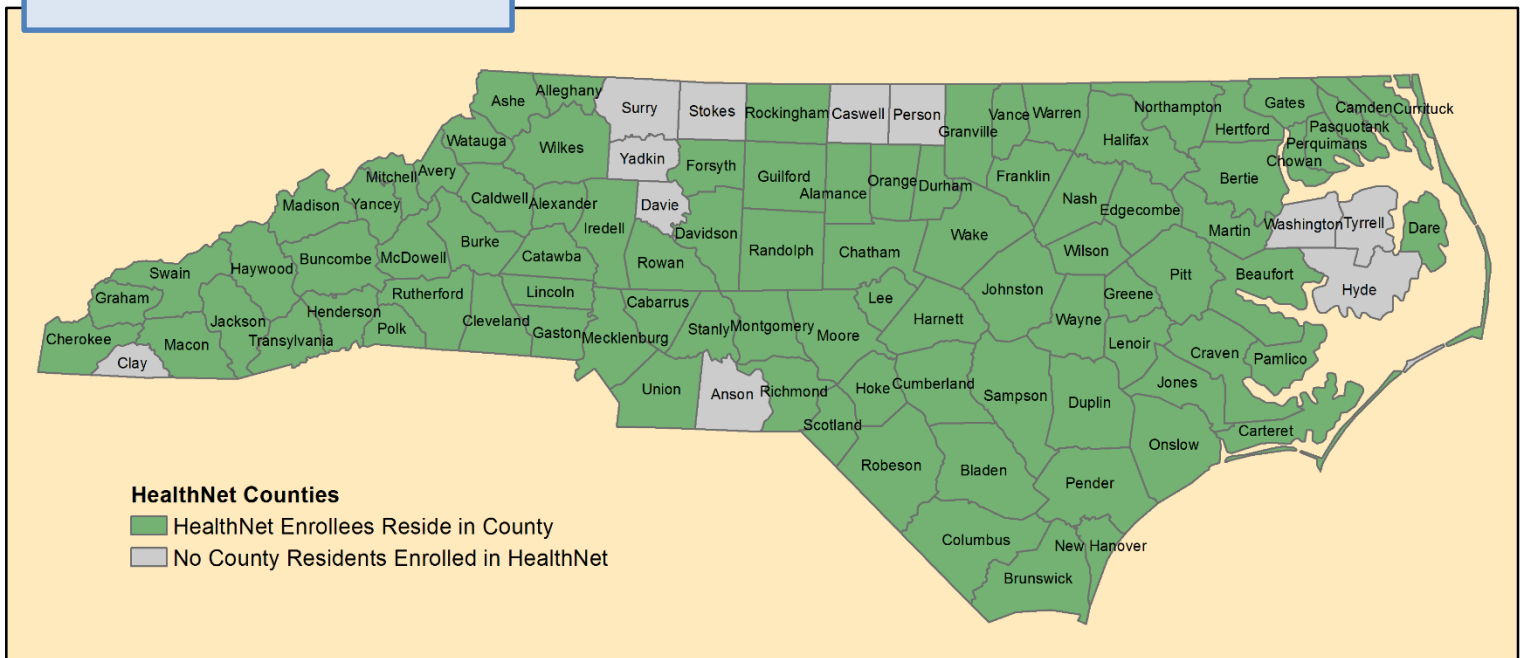
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Program Coverage

NC HealthNet served enrollees from 89 counties (June 2014).



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